1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
4.	Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer	Assam	UREA	Metric Tonnes	203060 (75.21)	240590 (89.11)	186500 (59.21)
5.	North Eastern Regional Agri Marketing Corpn. Ltd.*	Assam	Pine Apple Juice	Metric Tonnes	35.32	89.70	49.34
6	Numaligarh Refinary Ltd.	Assam	Crude Through Put	MMT	2.04 (68)	2.20 (73)	1.89 (62.60)
7	Oil India Ltd.	Assam	Crude oil	MMT	3.20 (94)	3.00 (88)	2.95 (86)
8	North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	Meghalaya	Company operates sales emporium (Trading activity)	NA	NA	NA	NA
9	North Eastern Electric Power Corporation Ltd.	Meghalaya	Electricity	Mega Watt	5195.46 (93)	4148.20 (78.03)	2993.25 (57.09)
10	Nagaland Pulp & paper Company Ltd*$	Nagaland	Paper	—	NA	NA	NA

Source: Statement No. 23 volume I and respective write ups in volume-II of PE Survey 2004-05

* BIFR referred CPSEs.

NA- Not Available/Not Applicable. MMT-Million Metric Tonnes

$ There is no production in the company since 1992.

- In additojn Hindustan Paper Corporation though having its registered office in Kolkata, West Bengal, has manufacturing units in Assam namely Nagaon Paper Mills and Cachar Paper Mills.

Closure of loss making petrol pumps

†2212. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:

SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that public sector oil companies have started opening flagship, Jubilee and model petrol pumps in the entire country due to competition from private sector;

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(b) if so, the details of retail outlets opened under the said schemes at present, State-wise and company-wise;

(c) whether it is a fact that despite incurring loss by these petrol pumps the said petrol pumps are allotted to the same contractor/party every year;

(d) if so, the reason therefor;

(e) whether Government are cosnidering to close such pumps; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) and (b) Public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) are operating some of their Retail Outlets (ROs) as permanent Company-Owned-Company-Operated (COCO) ROs for brand building, training of personnel and maintenance of uninterrupted supply of fuels during the period of crisis, at strategic locations named as Flagship RO, Jubilee RO, Model RO, etc. The State-wise and company-wise details of permanent COCO ROs is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) and (d) The financial performance of permanent COCO ROs are commensurate with the prevailing market conditions. The Ministry has issued broad policy guidelines on 06.09.2006 by which OMCs have been advised to frame their own guidelines for selection of labour contractors for permanent COCO ROs for a term of three years through advertisement route in an open and transparent manner.

(e) and (f) Subsequent to the dismantling of Administered Price Mechanism (APM) w.e.f. 1.4.2002, OMCs have been given commercial freedom for setting up and closure of ROs as per their commercial consideration.

Statement

State-wise and Company-wise number of Permanent COCO ROs dealerships

Sl. No.	State	State-wise and Company-wise Total Number of Permanent COCO ROs				
		IOC	BPC	HPC	IBP	Total
1.	Andhra Pradesh	11	33	28	13	85
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0
3.	Assam	1	0	0	0	1
4.	Bihar	4	4	5	0	13
5.	Chhattisgarh	4	1	24	1	30
6.	Delhi	4	6	3	1	14
7.	Gujarat	1	0	0	2	3
8.	Goa	5	8	0	6	19
9.	Haryana	3	0	7	3	13
10.	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	1	0	1
11.	Jammu and Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0
12.	Jharkhand	3	2	2	0	7
13.	Karnataka	12	6	19	3	40
14.	Kerala	0	3	22	3	28
15.	Madhya Pradesh	5	7	8	2	22
16.	Maharashtra	8	15	38	6	67
17.	Manipur	0	0	0	0	0
18.	Meghalaya	0	0	0	0	0
19.	Mizoram	0	0	0	0	0
20.	Nagaland	0	0	0	0	0
21.	Orissa	6	5	6	0	17
22.	Punjab	2	2	11	2	17
23.	Rajasthan	8	1	21	0	30
24.	Sikkim	0	0	0	0	0
25.	Tamil Nadu	11	12	24	6	53
26.	Tripura	0	0	0	0	0

		IOC	BPC	HPC	IBP	Total
27.	Uttaranchal	0	0	0	0	0
28.	Uttar Pradesh	11	0	9	0	20
29.	West Bengal	14	6	3	2	25
30.	Andaman and Nicobar Islands	0	0	0	0	0
31.	Chandigarh	0	1	0	2	3
32.	Dadar and Nagar Haveli	0	0	0	0	0
33.	Daman and Diu	0	0	0	0	0
34.	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0
35.	Pondicherry	0	0	4	1	5
	TOTAL:	113	112	235	53	513

Implementation of TAP Pipeline Project

†2213. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering to lay down a gas pipeline in the country from Turkmenistan via Afghanistan and Pakistan;

(b) if so, whether comprehensive details have been worked out in this regard; and

(c) by when the plan is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI DINSHA J. PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir. An Indian delegation led by the Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Gas visited Ashgabat, Turkmenistan on February 14-15, 2006 to participate in the 9th Steering Committee Meeting of Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan (TAP) project as an 'Observer'. The Steering Committee invited India to become an official member of the project. Government accorded 'in principle' approval to India joining the TAP project. The matter has been taken up with the Asian Development Bank (ADB), the lead development partner for the project, to

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